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March 6, 2003

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
Office of the Secretary  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: Request for Limited Modification of LATA Boundaries to Allow Service Within A Single Exchange; CC Docket No. 96-159**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Verizon New Jersey Inc. ("Verizon NJ") requests that the Commission grant a limited modification to the boundary between the North Jersey and Delaware Valley LATAs to permit service through a single exchange to a residential housing development that would otherwise be served by two exchanges in different LATAs.

Two-way interLATA local calling currently exists between the affected Monmouth Junction and Cranbury exchanges. Other than the boundary modification, Verizon NJ is not requesting any changes to existing interLATA service arrangements. The housing development that is the subject of this proposed boundary modification has not yet been constructed. No customers, other than the future residents of the development, will be directly affected by this boundary modification.

In its order released July 15, 1997<sup>1</sup> ("Order"), the Federal Communications Commission ("Commission") established an ongoing process for requesting LATA boundary modifications to provide ELCS. This request is filed pursuant to the provisions contained in that order. Attached please find the support documentation required by the Commission to approve the requested modification.

Should you have any questions regarding this material, please contact me on 202-515-2534.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Richard T. Ellis".

Attachments

cc: Dennis Johnson

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<sup>1</sup> "In the Matter of Petitions for Limited Modification of LATA Boundaries to Provide Expanded Local Calling Service (ELCS) at Various Locations", CC Docket No. 96-159, released July 15, 1997.

## **VERIZON NEW JERSEY INC.**

### **Re: Request for Limited LATA Boundary Modification Between Verizon New Jersey Inc.'s Monmouth Junction and Cranbury Exchanges**

#### **Introduction:**

Verizon New Jersey Inc. ("Verizon NJ") requests that the Commission grant a limited modification to the boundary between the North Jersey and Delaware Valley LATAs to permit service through a single exchange to residential housing development that would otherwise be served by two exchanges in different LATAs.

A residential development known as "The Meadows at South Brunswick" ("Development") is planned for construction in South Brunswick Township, New Jersey beginning in early 2003. This development will include 194 housing units and is divided by the Monmouth Junction and Cranbury exchange boundary. The Monmouth Junction exchange is in the North Jersey LATA; the Cranbury exchange is in the Delaware Valley LATA. Of the 194 housing units, 120 will be located in the Monmouth Junction Exchange, 68 will be located in the Cranbury exchange and 6 will straddle the exchange/LATA boundary. The Development will be situated closer to existing plant facilities from the Monmouth Junction exchange than it will be to facilities from the Cranbury exchange, which makes it more economical to serve it entirely from Monmouth Junction. Verizon NJ estimates (1) that the cost to provide service to the entire Development from the Monmouth Junction exchange is \$22,300; (2) the cost to provide service to the Development from both the Monmouth Junction and Cranbury exchanges is \$75,000 and (3) the cost to provide service to the entire Development from the Cranbury exchange is \$94,600. In addition, locating the development in a single exchange will minimize possible customer confusion. Therefore, in order to provide service to from the same exchange and same LATA to the entire Development and because it is more economical to provide service to the entire development from the Monmouth Junction exchange, Verizon NJ asks for the following relief:

1. To modify the boundary between the North Jersey and Delaware Valley LATAs so that The Meadows at South Brunswick development will be located entirely within the Monmouth Junction exchange.

#### **(1) Type Service(s):**

Two-way interLATA local calling currently exists between the Monmouth Junction and Cranbury exchanges. Other than the boundary modification, Verizon NJ is not requesting any changes to existing interLATA service arrangements.

**(2) Direction of Service:**

Two-way interLATA local calling currently exists between the Monmouth Junction and Cranbury exchanges.

**Verizon NJ Exchanges:**

Monmouth Junction, NJ (North Jersey LATA)	Area Code: 732	Exchange Codes: 230, 274, 329, 355, 392, 402, 438, 454, 647, 666, 783, 822, 823, 829, 853, 997
	Area Code: 848	Exchange Code: 667
Cranbury, NJ (Delaware Valley LATA)	Area Code: 609	Exchange Codes: 235, 366, 395, 409, 495, 578, 598, 619, 642, 655, 662, 664, 708, 722, 757, 819, 842, 860

**(3) Exchanges Involved:**

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**(4) Name of Carrier:**

Verizon New Jersey Inc.

**(5) State Commission Approval:**

The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities issued an Order of Approval approving this boundary modification on November 7, 2002 in Docket No. TT02090668. A copy of the Order of Approval is attached (Attachment 1).

**(6) Number of Network Access Lines:**

Monmouth Junction Exchange – 158,846 (As of December 2001)  
Cranbury Exchange – 214,211 (As of December 2001)

**(7) Usage Data:**

No usage data exists because there is existing interLATA local calling today and Verizon NJ neither studies nor records local exchange usage data in a manner similar to toll usage data.

**(8) Poll Results:**

No customer polls were taken. The Development, which is the subject of this proposed boundary modification, has not yet been constructed. No customers, other than the future residents of the Development, will be directly affected by this boundary modification.

**(9) Community of Interest Statement:**

Two-way interLATA local calling currently exists between the Monmouth Junction and Cranbury exchanges. As the Monmouth Junction and Cranbury exchanges are each in the other's local calling area, all emergency services, municipal services and schools will continue to be within the local calling area if the boundary is modified as proposed. No existing customer will be adversely affected by the proposed change and locating The Meadows at South Brunswick development in a single exchange will minimize possible customer confusion.

**(10) LATA Map:**

The following maps are attached:

1. LATA map of New Jersey with the Monmouth Junction and Cranbury exchanges highlighted (Attachment 2)
2. Cranbury exchange map with existing boundary (Attachment 3)
3. Cranbury exchange map with proposed boundary change (Attachment 4)
4. Monmouth Junction exchange map with existing boundary (Attachment 5)
5. Monmouth Junction exchange map with proposed boundary change (Attachment 6)
6. Site Plan of "The Meadows at South Brunswick" showing locations of existing and proposed exchange boundaries (Attachment 7)
7. Map showing location of proposed boundary change (Attachment 8)

**(11) Other Pertinent Information:**

As outlined above, Verizon NJ is requesting a modification the existing LATA boundary between the North Jersey and Delaware Valley LATAs so that The Meadows at South Brunswick development will be located entirely within the Monmouth Junction exchange. As two-way interLATA local calling currently exists between the Monmouth Junction and Cranbury exchanges, Verizon NJ is not requesting any other changes to existing interLATA service arrangements.

### List of Attachments

1. State of New Jersey Board of Public Utilities, Order of Approval, I/M/O Filing by Verizon New Jersey Inc. for a Revision of Tariff B.P.U.-No. 2, as Listed in the Revision of the Cranbury and Monmouth Junction Exchange Area Boundary, Docket No. TT02090668, November 7, 2002.
2. LATA map of New Jersey with the Monmouth Junction and Cranbury exchanges highlighted
3. Cranbury exchange map with existing boundary
4. Cranbury exchange map with proposed boundary change
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6. Monmouth Junction exchange map with proposed boundary change
7. Site Plan of “The Meadows at South Brunswick” showing locations of existing and proposed exchange boundaries
8. Map showing location of proposed boundary change



Attachment 1

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
**Board of Public Utilities**  
Two Gateway Center  
Newark, NJ 07102  
[www.bpu.state.nj.us](http://www.bpu.state.nj.us)



TELECOMMUNICATIONS

IN THE MATTER OF FILING BY VERIZON )	ORDER OF APPROVAL
NEW JERSEY INC. FOR A REVISION OF )	
TARIFF B.P.U.-NO.2, AS LISTED IN THE )	
REVISION OF THE CRANBURY AND )	
MONMOUTH JUNCTION EXCHANGE )	
AREA BOUNDARY )	DOCKET NO. TT02090668

(SERVICE LIST ATTACHED)

BY THE BOARD:

Verizon New Jersey Inc. (VNJ) filed a petition with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (Board) on September 19, 2002, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 14:1-5.11, providing for the revision of the Cranbury and Monmouth Junction exchange area boundary.

According to VNJ, a residential development known as "The Meadows at South Brunswick" is planned to be constructed in South Brunswick Township, Middlesex County, beginning in early 2003. As the exchange area boundary is currently located, this development will have residential units on both sides of the boundary and would thus be served by different exchanges. The development includes 194 residential housing units. One hundred twenty (120) units are in the Monmouth Junction exchange area, 68 units are in the Cranbury exchange area and 6 units straddle the exchange area boundary.

According to VNJ, in order to provide service from the same exchange to the entire development, and because it is more economical to provide service from the Monmouth Junction exchange, VNJ has proposed moving the boundary line so that the entire development would be in the Monmouth Junction exchange area located in the North Jersey LATA. As this is a proposed modification to a LATA boundary, both the Board and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) must approve the change. VNJ asserts in its petition that it will file a request with the FCC for approval of this boundary change upon receipt of the Board's Order approving it, and that it will not implement the boundary change until approval is received from the FCC.

In its petition and in supplementary information provided to Staff, VNJ asserts the following:

1. the cost to provide service to "The Meadows at South Brunswick" development entirely from the Monmouth Junction exchange is approximately \$52,700 less than the cost to provide service to the development from both the Cranbury and Monmouth Junction exchanges and \$72,300 less than the cost to provide service to the development entirely from the Cranbury exchange;
2. no existing customer's service will be affected by the proposed changes;
3. as both the Cranbury and Monmouth Junction exchanges are in Rate Group B, residents of the development will pay the same basic rate under this proposal that they would if they were served by the Cranbury exchange;
4. no customer will be disadvantaged by this proposed change, as there is existing inter LATA local calling between the Cranbury and Monmouth Junction exchange areas which was permitted by the Federal Court overseeing Divestiture;
5. as the Cranbury and Monmouth Junction exchanges are each in the other's local calling area, all emergency services, schools and municipal services will continue to be within the local calling area if the boundary is moved as proposed; and
6. customer confusion will be eliminated by serving all units in "The Meadows at South Brunswick" development from the same exchange area.

On October 17, 2002, New Jersey Division of Ratepayer Advocate (Ratepayer Advocate) filed its comments in the above-mentioned docketed matter. According to the Ratepayer Advocate, it does not oppose the petition.

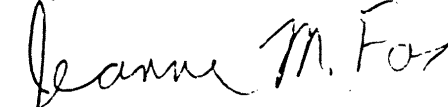
Based on the record in this matter, the Board FINDS that calls and rates to emergency services, schools and municipal services will not be affected in any way by this boundary change. In addition, the Board FINDS that no present customer will be adversely affected by the boundary change and VNJ's cost of serving "The Meadows at South Brunswick" will decrease. Accordingly, after a thorough review of the record, the Board FINDS that this boundary change will have no effect on safe, adequate and proper service, is in the public interest and in accordance with law.

Therefore, the Board HEREBY APPROVES the boundary change as requested.

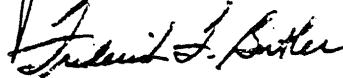
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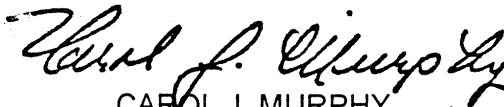
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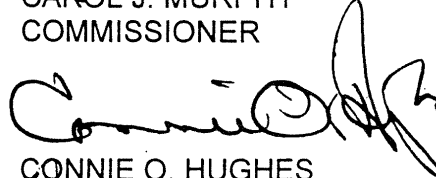
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COMMISSIONER



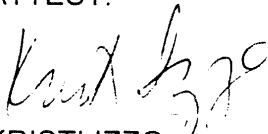
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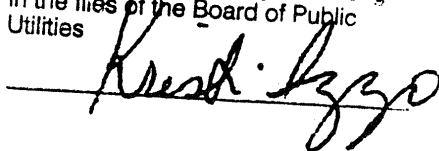
  
JACK ALTER  
COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:



KRISTI IZZO  
SECRETARY

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the within  
document is a true copy of the original  
in the files of the Board of Public  
Utilities





SERVICE LIST

**In the Matter of Filing by Verizon New Jersey Inc. of a Revision of Tariff B.P.U.  
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and Monmouth Junction**

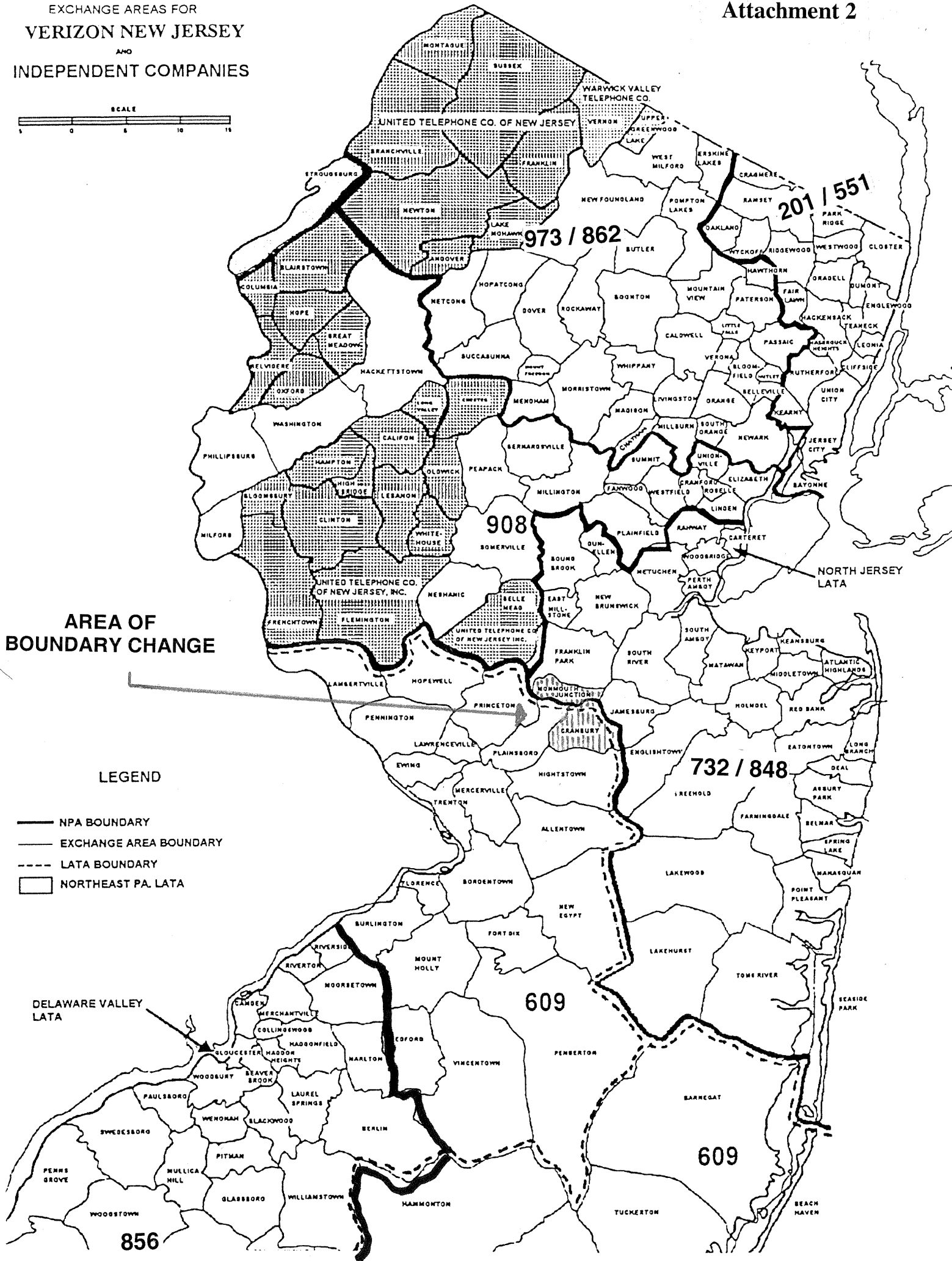
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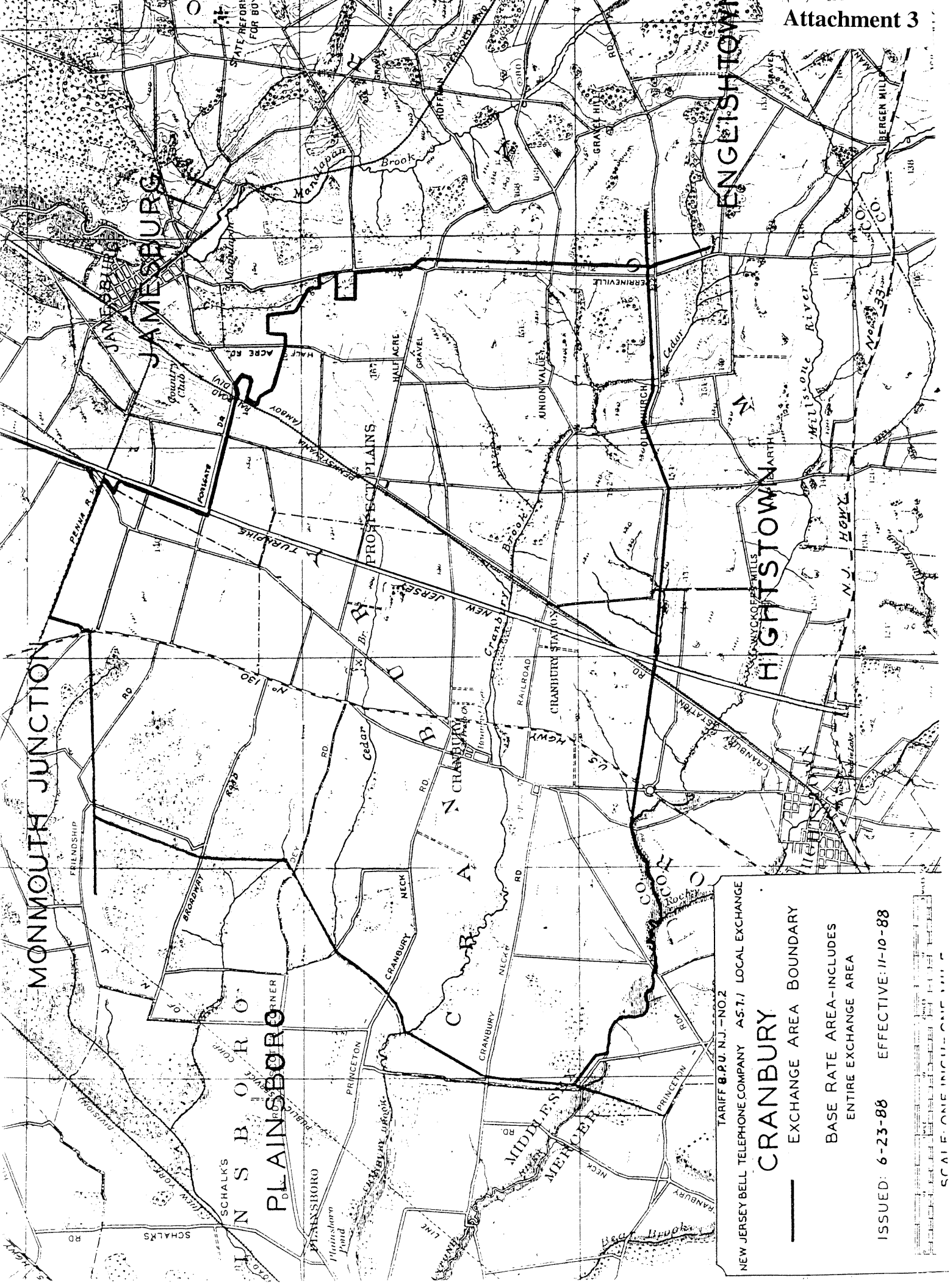
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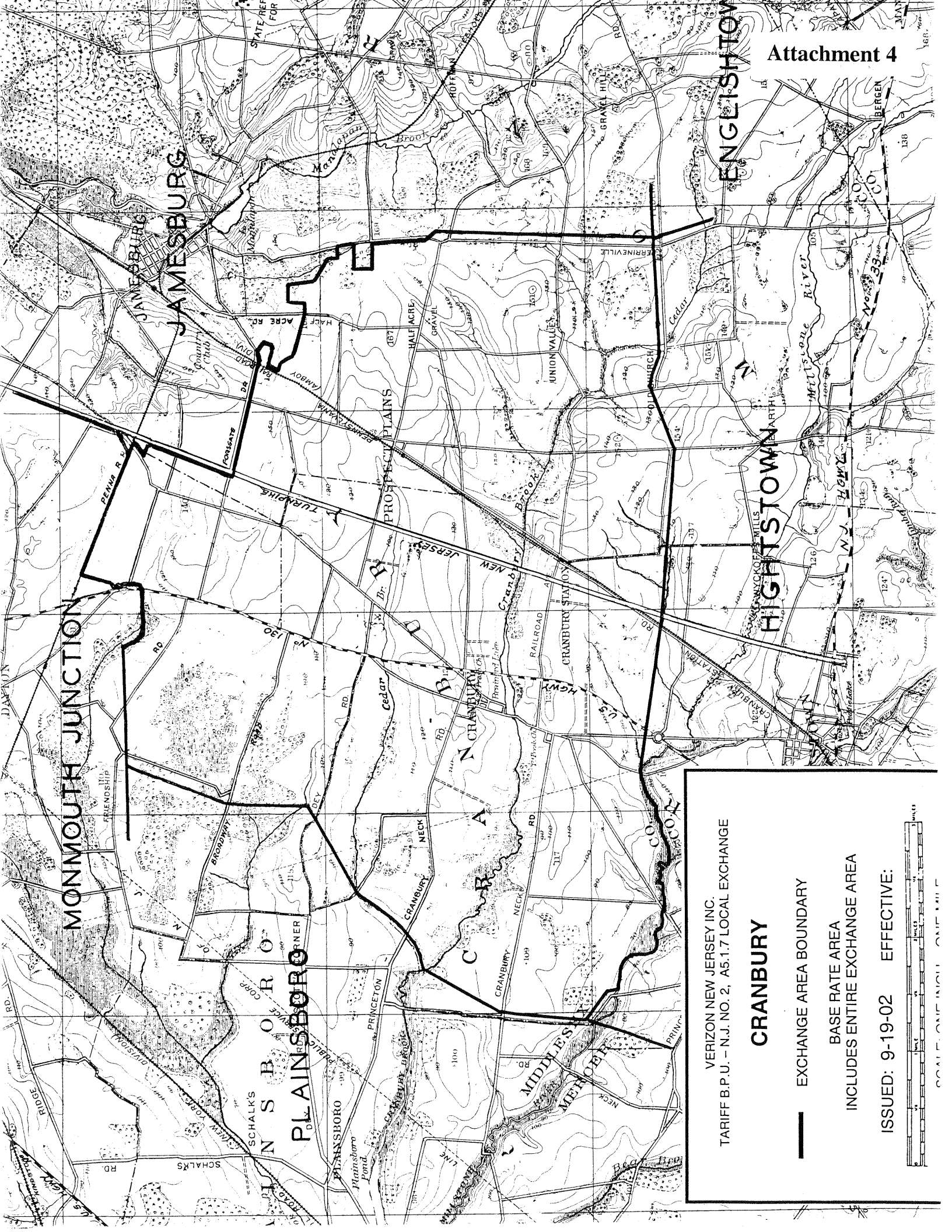
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NEW JERSEY BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY A5.7.1 LOCAL EXCHANGE  
 TARIFF 8.P.U.N.J.-NO.2  
**CRANBURY**  
 — EXCHANGE AREA BOUNDARY  
 BASE RATE AREA-INCLUDES  
 ENTIRE EXCHANGE AREA  
 ISSUED: 6-23-88 EFFECTIVE: 11-10-88  
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VERIZON NEW JERSEY INC.  
TARIFF B.P.U. - N.J. NO. 2, A5.1.7 LOCAL EXCHANGE

**CRANBURY**

— EXCHANGE AREA BOUNDARY  
BASE RATE AREA  
INCLUDES ENTIRE EXCHANGE AREA

ISSUED: 9-19-02 EFFECTIVE:

SCALE: ONE INCH = ONE MILE

TARIFF B.P.U. - N.J. NO. 1  
BELL ATLANTIC - NEW JERSEY, INC. A5.1.1

EXCHANGE

# MONMOUTH JUNCTION

EXCHANGE AREA BOUNDARY

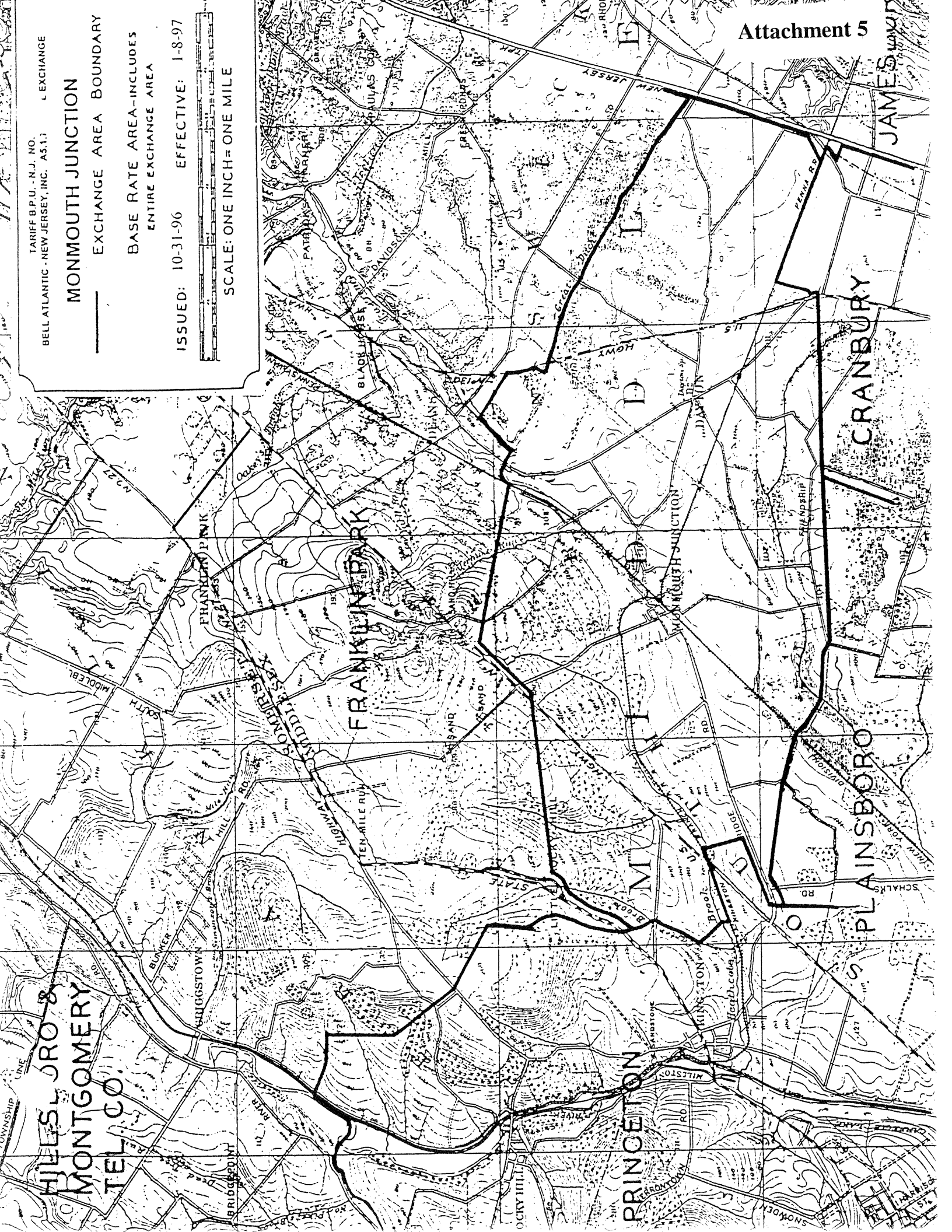
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SCALE: ONE INCH = ONE MILE

Attachment 5





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TARIFF B.P.U. - N.J. NO. 2, A5.1.7 LOCAL EXCHANGE

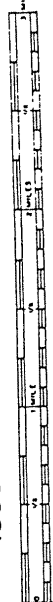
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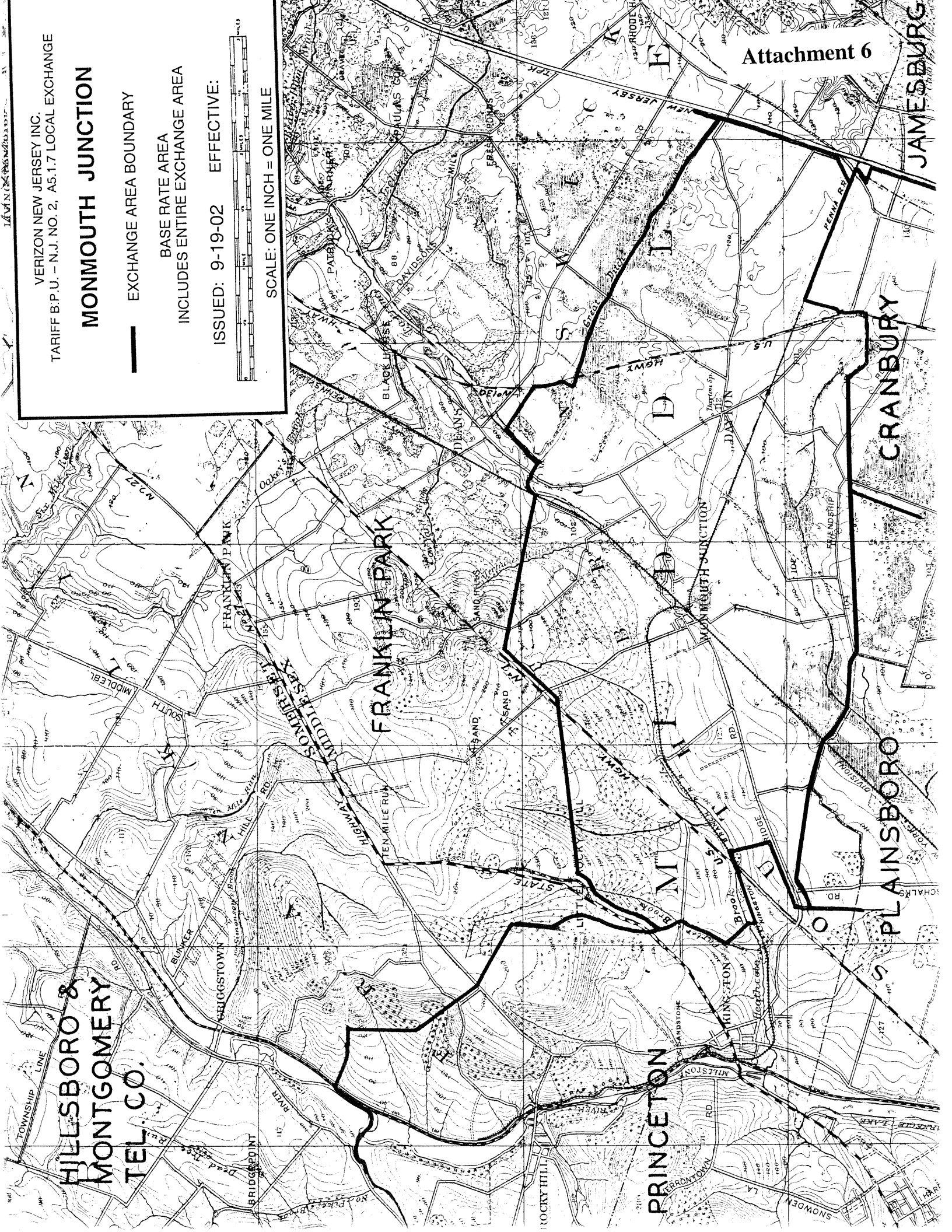
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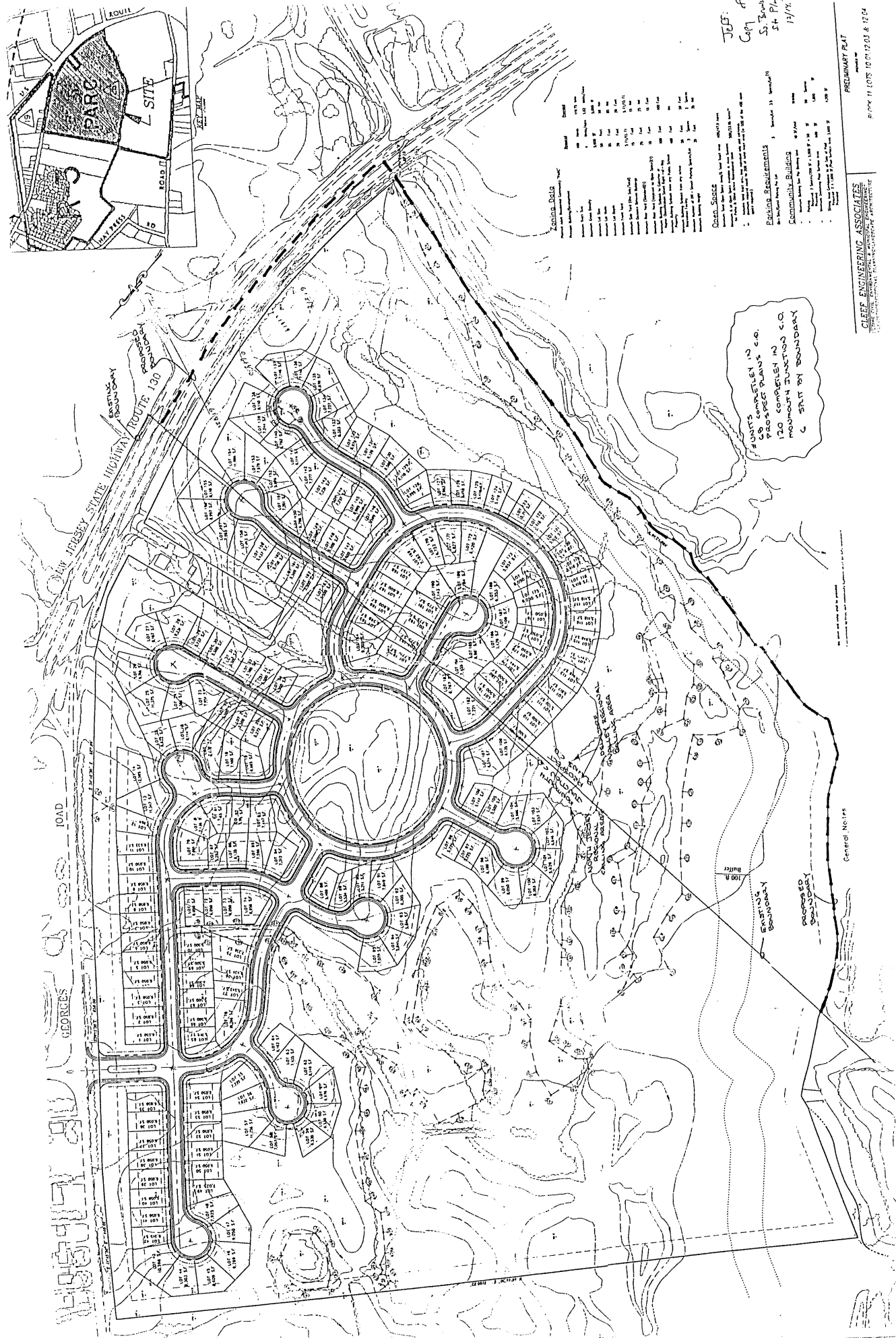
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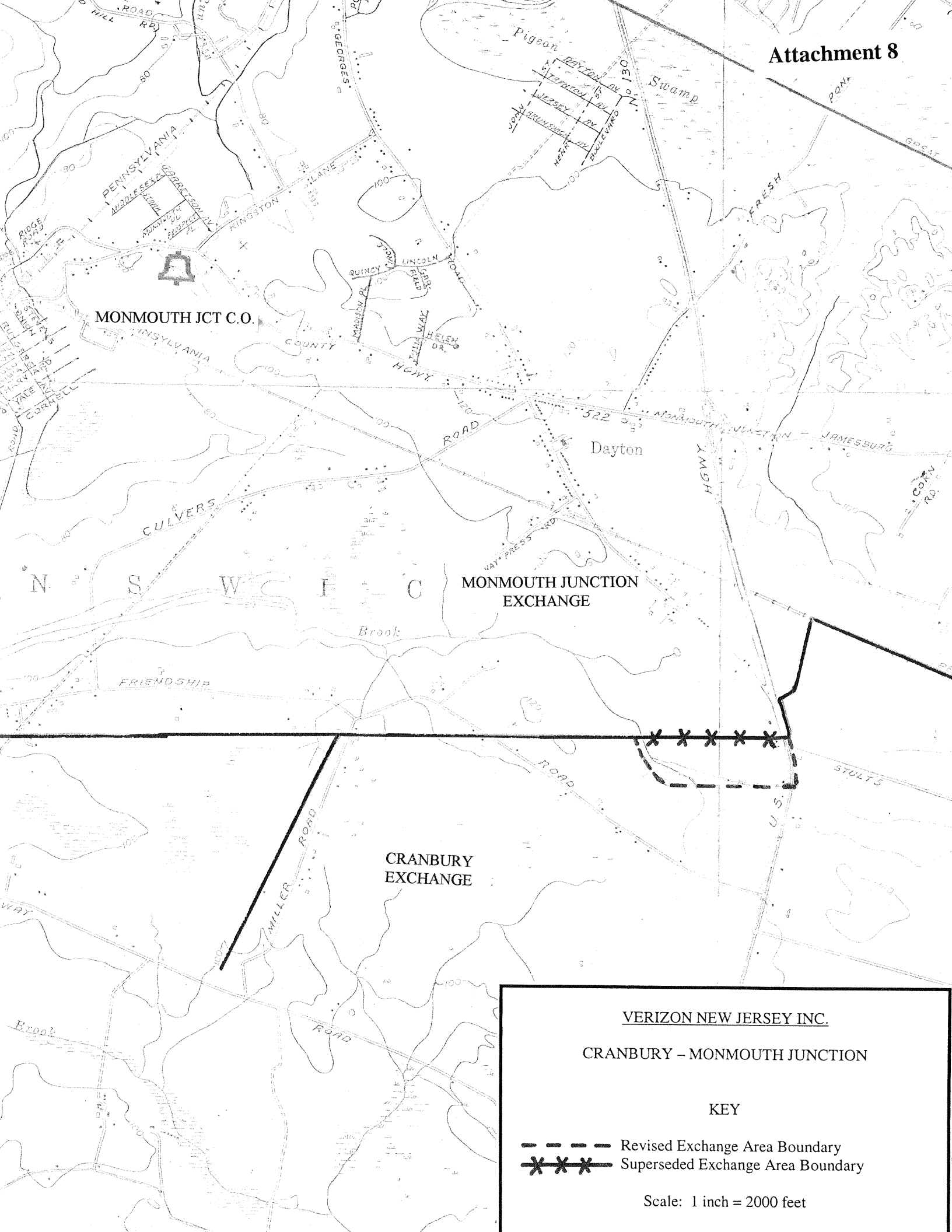
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VERIZON NEW JERSEY INC.

CRANBURY – MONMOUTH JUNCTION

KEY

- Revised Exchange Area Boundary
- \*\*\* Superseded Exchange Area Boundary

Scale: 1 inch = 2000 feet